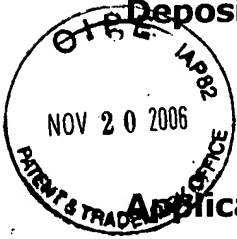


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated May 23, 2006, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.